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REMARKS

In reviewing the claims filed May 8, 2006 in response to the Official Action mailed February 14, 2006, it was noted that several terms used in the claims could be misinterpreted and it is therefore desired to improve the terminology used in the claims to avoid any such misunderstanding.

Accordingly, claim 14 has been amended to recite that the "clamping element" actually is a "resilient element" to avoid the possibility of interpreting the term as requiring the resilient element to constitute an actual clamp member rather than a resilient element cooperating with the second yarn clamp.

The other amendments introduced in this paper are intended to be consistent with the amendments submitted in claim 14.

Examination of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

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Corrected PTO-1449 Form

It was observed when reviewing the file of this application that the form PTO-1449 appended to the information disclosure statement filed September 26, 2005 contained a typographical error insofar as the actual document numbers of the German and British patent documents was not identified. A correct PTO-1449 form reflecting the correct German and British patent document numbers is submitted herewith. IT IS

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THE ORIGINAL PTO-1449 FILED SEPTEMBER 26, 2005 BE WITHDRAWN IN FAVOR OF THE PTO-1449 FORM SUBMITTED HEREWITH.

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